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INDICTMENT RETURNED CHARGING BALDWIN COUNTY MAN WITH BANK FRAUD AND OBSTRUCTION OF CORRESPONDENCE

Mobile, AL - A three-count indictment was returned today by a Federal Grand Jury against Michael A. Allen, a Bay Minnette, Alabama resident. Allen was charged with two counts of bank fraud that involved two area banks and a related mail obstruction count. The fraudulent activity caused a loss of approximately \$23,293.39 of moneys that came into his possession while employed by Baldwin Legal Investigations.

United States Postal Inspectors investigated the case and presented it to the U.S.

Attorney's Office for prosecution. The prosecutor assigned to the case is Assistant United States

Attorney, Gina S. Vann.

An indictment is a determination by a grand jury that there is probable cause to believe that an offense has been committed by a defendant. A defendant, of course, is presumed innocent until and unless he or she is proven guilty at trial.